

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO
FEBRUARY 24, 2015

The City Council of the City of Artesia, New Mexico met in the City Council Chambers at the City Hall on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 6:05 p.m. in regular session with Mayor Phillip Burch presiding and the following present wit:

Terry Hill	Bill Rogers
Manuel Madrid	Jeff Youtsey

The following were absent:

Jose Luis Aguilar	Raul Rodriguez
Kent Bratcher	Nora Sanchez

Also present:

Aubrey Hobson, City Clerk-Treasurer
John Caraway, City Attorney

The invocation was given by Councilor Youtsey. It was determined that a quorum was present but there were not sufficient council members to pass ordinances or make personnel decisions. There were enough to make administrative actions but other matters would be postponed until next council meeting on March 10, 2015.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Hill moved to approve the Consent Agenda as written. The motion was seconded by Councilor Madrid and upon vote, the motion passed.

The Consent Agenda includes:

1. Approval of Minutes:
 - * February 9, 2015 – Special meeting
 - * February 10, 2015 – Regular meeting
2. Consideration of Bids:
 - A. *Approval of award of bid to provide a bucket truck for the Facility Maintenance Department to Don Chalmers Ford (DBA-BPN), Rio Rancho, NM
3. Contracts, Leases and Agreements:
4. Appointments:
5. Resignations:
 - A. Accept the resignation of Paul Klontz, Electrical Inspector, effective March 1, 2015
 - B. Accept the resignation of Elsa Munoz, Detention Officer, effective March 6, 2015
6. Dates of Hearing:
 - A. Permission to set a public hearing for March 24, 2015 for consideration of an ordinance for Case No. 15-08, Summary Re-plat Subdivision, 610-620 J J Clark Road; being Lots 2 and 3 of Block 1 of Thompson Subdivision.; Owners- Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ornelas. Agent-Harcrow Surveying LLC
 - B. Permission to set a public hearing for March 24, 2015 for consideration of an ordinance for Case No. 15-09, Zone Change from SU-1 and SA-2 to Commercial District, 2507-2513 W. Missouri Ave. and 2506-2514 W. Dallas St.; Lots 37 thru 42 of Grand Heights Subdivision.; Owners- Benn Hernandez and JD Hot Shot Services LLC

7. *Travel and Training:

- A. Police – Ratification of Mayor Burch's approval for one (1) employee to attend the CPS Technicians Child Safety Seat Clinic in Alamogordo, NM
- B. Police – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Law Enforcement Coordinator training in Albuquerque, NM
- C. Police – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the CPS Technicians Child Safety Seat Clinic in Sunland Park, NM
- D. Police – Permission for three (3) employees to attend the 10 Worst School Attacks and Lessons Learned training in Artesia, NM
- E. Fire – Permission for one (1) employee to attend FEMA's Public Information Officer training in Albuquerque, NM
- F. Streets – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Principles of Quality Hot Mix Asphalt conference in Lubbock, TX
- G. Fire – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Fire Officer II certification in Clovis, NM
- H. Fire – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the New Mexico Association of EMS Educators Annual conference and General meeting in Ruidoso, NM
- I. Police – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Selected Traffic Enforcement Program in Elephant Butte, NM
- J. Police – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Glock Armorer's course in Artesia, NM

8. Routine Requests for City Facilities:

9 Budgeted Items:

- A. Fire - permission to purchase bunkers (*less than \$20,000*)

10. Non-budgeted Items:

11. *Payment of Bills

Public Hearings

A motion to postpone item 6A to the meeting on March 10, 2015 was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hill. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rogers and upon vote, the motion passed.

Michelle Green addressed the Council concerning item 6A on behalf of herself, her husband and her surrounding neighbors that surround The Church of God to ask the City Council to allow this residential area to remain residential.

Comments from Public Officials and Contracted Services

J.J. Griego From Griego Professional Services-Presenting the 2013-2014 City of Artesia Audit, this is the first year to do the City's Audit and thanked the City of Artesia for the opportunity to perform the Audit.

Councilor Rogers moved to approve the 2013-2014 City of Artesia Audit. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hill and upon vote, the motion passed.

Committee Report

Infrastructure – Councilor Hill reported that the committee met focusing on the water conservation ordinance. At this time they are looking into water conservation best practices, risk assessments, and public education including the costs involved and establishing goals. They will continue to update the Council as the committee continues to move further along.

Personnel

Councilor Madrid moved to approve postponing Item 10 until March 10, 2015 meeting. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hill and upon vote, the motion passed

Public Safety

Fire Department – Chief Hummingbird asked to postpone the 2014 Final Annual Report until March 10, 2015, to hopefully have the other councilmen involved in the 2014 Final Annual Report. Mayor Pro Tem Hill moved to postpone Item 11B until March 10, 2015 meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rogers and upon vote, the motion passed.

Community Development

Jim McGuire reported briefly on some key points about the Build a Pool Conference he, Luis Reyes and Assistant Superintendent Thad Phipps attended. He explained one thing they stressed was your planning precedes your programming and your programming precedes the design. By following that route, you are able to develop an action plan. Four pillars of a sustainable aquatic facility: 1. Fitness; 2. Vertical and Horizontal Exercise; 3. Competitive Swimming and Learn to Swim; and, 4. Rehab. Three things that need to be considered are: temperatures depending on pool use-there are different temperatures for competitive swimming rehab and exercise. Access, how people gain entry, including those that are handicapped and depth requirements are based on functionality, and funding operational costs. He also explained how the old model of operating versus the new model of operating have changed. The people that sponsored the conference are part of USA Swimming and they would prepare an enterprise plan for us which would tell us what we need for our community. Jim stated he is working with Mr. Phipps on a survey to send out to the community- once they have results of the survey they will present it to council and school board to get further direction.

Infrastructure

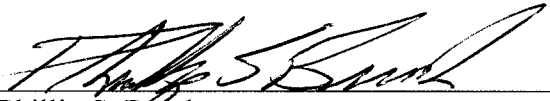
Byron Landfair gave a brief update on the 13th Street project. They have the mat down on both north and south concrete paving sections. He stated it looks like another 3-4 weeks before they finishing those sections possibly by mid-March.

Byron reported that at the Cemetery there are two new projects going on-one is the cemetery upgrade with assistance of the Estelle Yates Foundation-the other is the Pavilion.

City Clerk

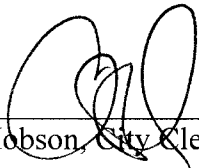
The City Clerk presented the list of fixed assets along with reports on additions for 2013-2014 and deletions for 2013-2014. Mayor Pro Tem Hill moved to approve the list of fixed Assets Inventory, Additions and deletions for 2013-2014. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rogers and upon vote, the motion passed.

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.
February 24, 2015.



Phillip S. Burch

ATTEST:



Aubrey Hobson, City Clerk